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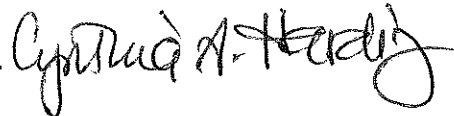
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June 21, 2013

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM:  Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.
Director and Health Officer



SUBJECT: **NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO
ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT
TO SUPPORT THE HEALTH IMPACT EVALUATION CENTER**

This is to notify you that I am exercising delegated authority approved by your Board on April 16, 2013, to: 1) accept and implement a forthcoming Grant Agreement (GA), from The California Endowment (TCE), to support the Department of Public Health's (DPH) Health Impact Evaluation Center (HIEC) for the anticipated period of April 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014, at an estimated amount of \$183,247; and 2) accept future awards and/or amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the GA that extend the term through March 31, 2015, at an amount determined by TCE, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office (CEO).

Under this authority, I will accept GA Number 20122760, issued by the TCE on May 24, 2013, in the amount of \$376,394 for the period of June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2015 to support the HIEC. The purpose of the HIEC is to conduct Health Impact Assessments (HIA) and support policy-related activities. HIEC is comprised of key personnel from the following DPH programs: the Division of Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention, the Office of Health Assessment and Epidemiology, and the Office of Planning, Evaluation, and Development.

Specifically, the TCE funding will supplement and support HIEC's capacity building efforts in order to carry out the following activities: 1) identify and examine key policies and issues that affect the quality of public health practice and service delivery throughout LAC; 2) coordinate HIA development and evaluation activities within DPH including, facilitating collaboration and addressing shared objectives among DPH programs; and 3) develop and refine new or innovative scientific methods to rapidly conduct HIAs that address time-sensitive public health issues in LAC (e.g., food safety and quality and health care access, etc.).

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County Counsel has reviewed and approved GA Number 20122760 as to use and advised that I inform your Board that the general terms and conditions that are incorporated in this contract include provisions requiring County to defend, indemnify and hold harmless TCE for all claims and losses related to this GA. This is a standard requirement from TCE and cannot be waived or modified. I have been advised by CEO Risk Management of the risks associated with this provision. However, I believe these risks are acceptable in light of the need for these services and the resulting benefit to public health.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors